

# Close Study of New Gridiron Rules of Prime Importance

## Big Colleges Alive To Full Importance Of Modern Football

### WILL GIVE HIGH SCHOOLS HARD RUB THIS SEASON

Forward Passes and On-Side Kicks Rapidly Supplanting Old Style Tactics—Princeton Relying Upon Versatility—Harvard Material Quickly Sifted.

By SOL METZGER.

The past week there have been few developments in the college football world other than have been mentioned before in these articles.

Pennsylvania persisted until Wednesday in playing an old-style line-smash-and-end-running game which the coaches advised, owing to the approach of the Swarthmore contest, as they knew it would test the strength of their eleven better than any other. In practice, the Quakers worked the new formations for their backfield, and several passes and on-side kicks, in which the aim was to give the runner or receiver of the catch ample protection to secure the play. Owing to the list of cripples most of the men have been kept out of the scrimmage, and the coaches have been unable to drill their regulars in the detail of the new play as much as they desired, hence the Swarthmore game was entered with more or less apprehension.

#### Yale Wide Awake.

At Yale great prominence has been given to the forward pass and on-side punt. The coaches have also striven to build up a team strong in the elements of the game, such as tackling, holding the ball, recovering fumbles, and to a certain extent, forming interference. There has consequently been some fierce individual play at New Haven, with which the team has beaten back splendid opponents, notably the heavy and fast eleven of Syracuse, which showed promise at the start of the game of scoring on Yale.

It was hard charging and still harder tackling by Yale's players, which shook the confidence out of Syracuse and gradually turned the issue. Then the new plays were used to a great extent, and though only partially successful in them, Yale succeeded in getting off several passes that landed the team within reach of the Syracuse line. The material at Yale is splendid, and much will be done with it before November 1.

#### Yost Has Hopes.

In the West Coach "Hurly" Yost, of Michigan, has it in his head to defeat the Pennsylvania eleven at Ann Arbor this November. Yost has labored conscientiously to win this big intercollegiate game, and since the defeat of Michigan at Franklin Field in 1903, and he has met with all kinds of odds and impediments. Fortunately several line men of previous seasons have squared themselves with the faculty and he has found a splendid quarterback in Sullivan, a very experienced basketball player, whose handling of the ball at all times has proven excellent.

In his only game, that with Case School, Yost showed rare judgment in starting out to master the forward pass and on-side kick, though poor work in doing so cost him eleven many touchdowns. Michigan will miss Garrelle, one of those magnificent athletes who happens once in a decade, still his absence will permit of building up a more general system of attack than was the case in 1906, and to a great extent, was a prime reason for Pennsylvania's victory. In the line he has veteran material in Schulz, Graham, Rheinschild, and Hammond, and behind are Leell and Runney. Graham is also a place kicker of note. There is much reason to hope that the veteran combination, backed up by the well-coached men for other positions, and Pennsylvania should have a tremendous task to win.

#### Princeton's Versatility.

Princeton material, never too plentiful, is generally of the well-schooled variety, and now with the rule which causes freshmen from varsity teams and causes more attention to be given freshmen teams than hitherto, she is even richer in well-coached men than before. Her freshmen have perhaps been better coached than those of Yale, and she is depending upon them to aid her in a considerable extent in her early games.

Having at her disposal such a well-coached set of men, though limited in numbers, she has set about, as she did in 1906, to work up a safe and sane system of attack based upon the forward pass and on-side kick, for by so doing she hopes to be able to beat back the naturally better material Yale usually has. Last year Princeton worked up a splendid offense in up-to-date football, and this year starts with all the knowledge so obtained. Wisely have her coaches started to use McCormick and Reid as line plungers, and with Harlan to drop kick the Tigers will have a variety of plays that should keep any opponent guessing. Their first test will be with Cornell on October 25.

#### Harvard Line-Up Settled.

Harvard has improved wonderfully since her first game, though to date the Crimson coaches have labored chiefly with their men, attempting to teach them fundamentals and football to a high degree before taking up plays. There is such an abundance of good material at Harvard that fall that it seems as though the team were handicapped by the inability of the coaches to select the best men in the fore part of the season. As a result they have tried out different men in the hope of finding a particularly fine player for a position, and in so doing have cost the eleven much in point of team play.

This year they are having little of this trouble, for Crane and his assistants, who are able players, have about selected who will make the team, and as a consequence some attention had recently been given to plays. Crane has the line men in hand, and he may be counted upon to produce a heavy, potent, and swift charging set of forwards. In her games of late the Har-

vard team has used the forward pass, and on-side kick with better success than most any other eleven, having several passes wherein the end and tackle on that side of the line are both legally able to take the ball, thereby making it doubly safe.

#### Cornell's Combination.

Cornell is struggling with a proposition to build up a style of game that can warrant the use of the forward pass. To do so the Ithaca team has been attempting to work up an old style offense first, and have been most successful, due undoubtedly to the fast candidates for the eleven. The team has let out less knowledge concerning its movements and plans than any other, yet it is trying to reach top notch form for October 25, when it meets Princeton, in the hope of catching the Tigers off guard. With such a victory to her credit, which is by no means out of the question, Cornell will be content to slump along for three weeks and then revive for the climax against Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, on Thanksgiving Day.

Both the army and navy are coming along with good teams, making little noise, but showing wood. Especially is this condition true at West Point, where a different schedule is being played which will enable the team to work for the navy game as a wind-up, and not for half a dozen other midway affairs, as she has disastrously done in the past. The navy is rounding to wonderfully well, and will be in this game to a finish after their taste of victory last year.

## Books Barred From Tracks In Kentucky

Sheriff Can't See Difference Between Them and Poolrooms.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Oct. 12.—Sheriff A. Scott Bullitt threw a bombshell into the local racing circles yesterday, when he addressed a letter to Charles F. Grainger, president of the new Louisville Jockey Club, in which he warned Mr. Grainger that he would allow no betting at the club meeting at Churchill Downs, which is scheduled to begin next Wednesday. In his letter the Sheriff said he can see no difference between betting on the races in a poolroom and on a race track, and that he considers it his duty to stop it under any circumstances. While the jockey club officials have not as yet announced what course they will pursue, it is presumed that they will seek an injunction restraining the sheriff from taking any action to interfere with the bookmakers. The jockey club has a charter from the State, which, it is claimed, permits gambling on the races, and it is further claimed that the statutes directed against gambling in Kentucky specifically except pool selling on a race track.

## A. & M. BREAKS RICHMOND LINE

Gets Touchdown and Safety—Atkins Kicks Field Goal.

RICHMOND, Va., Oct. 12.—Agricultural and Mechanical College of Raleigh, N. C., beat Richmond College at football here this afternoon 7 to 4.

The playing of the North Carolina team was marked largely by line bucking. A. and M. scored a touchdown in the first half by making holes in the Richmond College's line, but after that Richmond held firm, and there was no more scoring for A. and M., except on a fluke safety, when Richmond's fullback muffed a kick, and a North Carolina man fell on the ball.

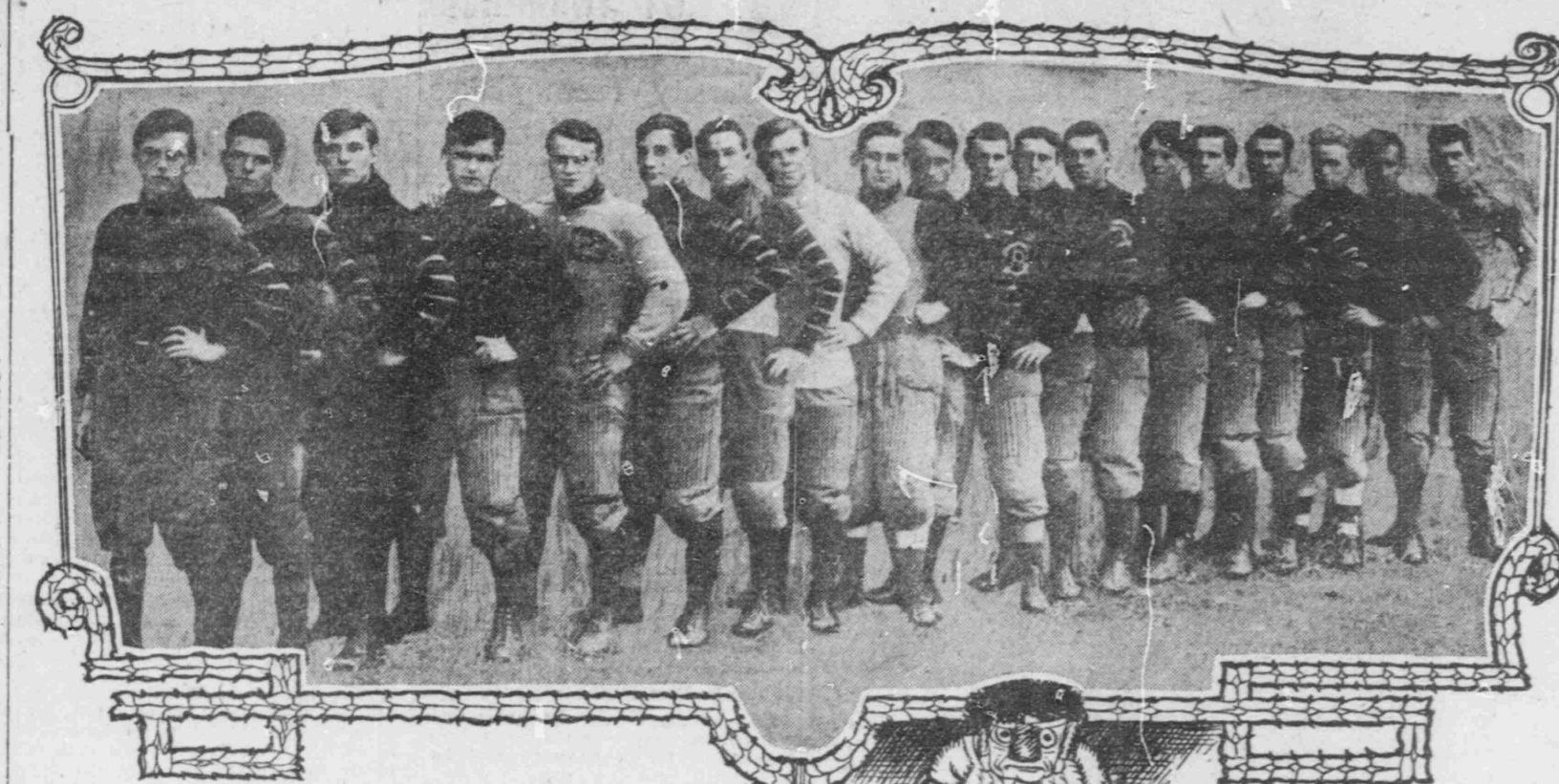
Atkins, Richmond's quarterback, kicked a pretty field goal five minutes after play started in the second half, and the score, 7 to 4, in favor of the North Carolina team, remained unchanged until the end.

Wright, Richmond's left end, handled the forward pass to perfection, never once losing the ball, and gaining the required distance whenever called upon. Beebe, right tackle for A. and M., was easily the star, frequently breaking through Richmond's line, and halting the runner in his tracks.

#### Line-up:

A. and M. Positions. Richmond. Seifert, L. E. Wright, Stroud, T. L. T. Thraves, Capt. Sykes, L. G. Stringfellow, Thompson, R. E. Timmerman, Van Gahen, R. G. Jones, Beebe, R. T. Robertson, Sadler, R. E. Stephens, Q. B. Atkins, Johnson, L. H. Lankford, Long, R. H. Luthan, Thompson, Capt. F. B. Stroud.

Umpire—Nelson Robins, V. P. I. Referee—C. P. Miles, P. I. Field Captain—Greene, Maryland Athletic Club. Linemen—Randolph Cardozo, Pennsylvania, and Richardson, Richmond College.



GEORGETOWN PREP SQUAD.

Left to Right—Gaynor, Sitterding, Captain Mellin, Walton, Furry, O'Kelley, Sullivan, McFadden, T. Smith, Simpson, Lucas, Conway, Cunneff, Slattery, Daly, McCormick, Slieschman, G. Mellin, McQuail.

## COMPARATIVE STRENGTH OF BIGGER COLLEGES CAN NOT YET BE DETERMINED

Rowing Interests at Columbia Enhanced by Splendid Showing Made Last Spring at Poughkeepsie. Dormitory Crews at Harvard.

By MANHATTAN.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—The opening of the football season of 1907 emphasizes the fact that the game is becoming more open and interesting to the spectator; gives better play for quickness and brains, and, despite the fact that two deaths and two serious injuries resulted from last Saturday's games, the sport is made less dangerous to the contestant.

The rules need, and in due time will receive, some modifications, as imperfections develop, but on the whole, they are a great improvement on the old game, and have come to stay.

#### Ambitions Squelched.

In Saturday's play both the Cornell and Pennsylvania teams saw all possibilities of scoreless record wiped out, as far as they were concerned, for Oberlin crossed the Ithaca's goal line for a touchdown, and a disastrous fumble forced the Quakers to make a safety against Bucknell. As was freely predicted, Yale found Syracuse a hard proposition to defeat at this period of the season.

The score of 11 to 6 was small under any circumstances, and when it is considered that the New Jersey university, mean little when considered from the viewpoint of what is to come.

Princeton opened her season with a snap and dash which, while very pleasing to the undergraduates and alumni of the New Jersey university, mean little when considered from the viewpoint of what is to come.

#### Stevens Easy for Princeton.

Stevens Institute could offer little or no resistance to the Tigers, and practically everything that the Orange and Black started went through without a hitch. It was a little more than a signal drill, and the scrubs would have given the Tigers better practice.

Harvard found Maine in about the same category as Stevens, and the Johns Hopkins team, though a formidable opponent, was no more than a signal drill, and the scrubs would have given the Tigers better practice.

#### Army and Navy Winners.

The Army and Navy added victories to their records on Saturday, and while the scores were decisive, there was so much that no decisive conclusion could be gained as to the real strength of either combination. The Army tried more open plays than did the Navy, but a field goal by Lang from a difficult angle in the second half showed that the Midgies know something about scoring without falling back on the old push methods in vogue several seasons ago.

There is, of course, a lack of data on which to size up the relative merits of the teams on one or two games with minor teams, but a careful sizing up of the play of the big five warrants the belief that there is going to be a neck-and-neck race between Princeton, Yale, and Harvard for first place, and if I were compelled to place the teams at this time, I would say they will finish in just about that order.

Of course, as the season develops, the

prospect may change, but that's how it strikes me now. The teams are so evenly balanced that a little football luck would throw a game to one team or the other, but it looks as though the Tigers had a shade on the sons of Eli, who in turn look a trifle better than the men of John Harvard. However, time will show.

With the recent cold snap in view, it would seem unreasonable to talk of college rowing, but as a matter of fact the men of the aquatic colleges who hope to make the crews next season already are at work.

The splendid showing made by Columbia last spring, at Poughkeepsie, has very greatly increased the rowing interest in Columbia, and more than fifty men have reported to Coach James C. Rice, sr., as candidates for the varsity and freshman crews. Six of last year's eight are back at college, and will row.

#### Boyle Out.

Boyle, who captained the 1907 crew, is ineligible, having rowed for four years. Much disappointment was caused by the resignation of George Miner McKenzie, who had been elected captain for this year. McKenzie, who was a member of the class of '08, completed the ordinary four-year course in three years, receiving his A. B. degree last June. Called away by business matters, he will be unable to come back for post-graduate work.

The prospects for a good crew are bright, however, with six of the old men back, including the stroke, Ceruzzi, who so creditably paced the eight last June, is eligible and in fine condition. The other members of the 1907 eight that are now rowing, include James McKenzie, Leicester Spalding, William Starbuck, Harry Shevilly, and P. von Saltsa.

#### Freshmen Strong.

The material from last year's freshman crew is exceptionally promising. The varsity crew, who rowed No. 7, is the most formidable variety candidate.

Only one of the four is back. Mitchell, who has been graduated; Gilles, No. 2, left college, and George Norris, bow, has taken the management of this year's crew. McLean is therefore the only one rowing.

Harvard's prospects in the rowing line are very bright this year. Three eights also have been formed from among the candidates, and six of the men that fill the first boat have won their "EL." E. C. Bacon, a brother of last year's captain, and who stroked the freshman crew at New London last year, has been placed in that position by Lang from a difficult angle in the second half showed that the Midgies know something about scoring without falling back on the old push methods in vogue several seasons ago.

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## BASEBALL FEVER IN AUSTRALIA

## PLAN EARLY DATE FOR AUTO SHOW

The following letter recently received from Sydney, New South Wales, shows baseball is growing in popularity in Australia, and this, in spite of the fact that cricket and football have always been the dominating sports of that country.

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#### THE WHIRLING DERVISHES.

These spirits upon the hunt for "sensations" in Constantinople will wish to "take in" the Dervishes. The Whirling clan have a convenient convent on the Grande Rue, where their circumnavigations may be witnessed at 7:30 on Friday evening for the admission of 10 cents. This weird performance personifies the solar system, and is exactly ordered in all its phases. After preliminary circuits of the ring in single file to the discordant accompaniment of flute and tambourine, the robed and turbaned Dervishes commence their turning. With arms outstretched, the right palm upward to beseech blessings, the left depressed to signify mercy bestowed, the head is bent upon the right shoulder. The rapid revolving upon the right heel is effected by employing the left foot as a motive power. As the circle accelerates, the long white skirts dilate until they stand out stiff after the manner of the attenuated garment of the "premiere danseuse." Very little space is allotted to each priest, and it seems strange that there are no collisions. The dance ceases in an hour or so with the men exhausted.—The Travel Magazine.

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## ALL-WASHINGTON WINS AT TENNIS FROM BALTIMORE

Score 9 to 6 in Singles and 3 to 2 in Doubles.

The All-Washington team took the All-Baltimore team into camp on the Chevy Chase Club courts yesterday by 9 matches to 6 in the singles, and 2 to 2 in the doubles.

The best match was between F. C. Colston, of Baltimore, and Conrad Doyle, of Washington. Colston won, 2-6, 7-5, 6-3. The visitor played a brilliant game. He had a highly effective service, and used an underhand swing to great advantage. Good excuse can be offered for Doyle, however, as he has not been playing at all during the summer, having been abroad. Later in the afternoon he finished strong by taking the doubles with the aid of his brother, from the Colston brothers.

#### Strong Baltimore Talent.

Baltimore won again in the second match when Campbell took two sets from Homer Deis, 4-6, 5-6, 7-5. Clifton S. Brown was another Baltimore lad who won, taking two sets from Philip Cake, 6-1, 6-4, 6-4. The last victory for Baltimore in the singles was in the match between Philip N. Coffin and Ralph W. Hills, which the former took by 6-2, 3-6, 6-2.

For Washington H. E. Doyle defeated J. S. Kerr in the first two sets, 7-5, 6-0. Another good victory for Washington was in the match of Charles G. Brooke and J. C. Davidson, which the latter won in straight sets, 8-6, 6-2.

The Washingtonians lost but two matches in the doubles. The Doyle brothers, of Washington, beat the Colston brothers, 1-6, 6-1, 6-4. Lincoln and Garbals were victors over Symington and Brown, of Baltimore, 6-2, 10-6.

#### Singles.

The scores follow, the names of the Baltimoreans being given first:

Singles—F. C. Colston beat Conrad Doyle, 2-6, 7-5, 6-3. Campbell beat Homer Deis, 4-6, 5-6, 7-5. J. S. Kerr lost to H. E. Doyle, 7-5, 6-0. W. Symington lost to J. Ballinger, 8-10, 6-8, 6-4. Clifton Brown beat Philip Cake, 6-1, 6-4, 6-4. Charles Brooke lost to J. Davidson, 8-6, 6-2. Philip Coffin beat Ralph Hills, 6-2, 3-6, 6-2. Isaac George lost to George Lincoln, 6-2, 2-6, 6-4. George Chipman lost to Louis Doyle, 6-2, 2-6, 7-5. W. Chestnut lost to Gilbert Grosvenor, 8-6, 7-5.

#### Doubles.

Doubles—Colston and Colston lost to Doyle and Brooke, 1-6, 6-1, 6-4. Deis and Kerr lost to Grosvenor and Doyle, 6-2, 6-4. Symington and Brown lost to Lincoln and Garbals, 6-2, 10-6. George and Chipman lost to Davidson and Glasbrook, 6-1, 3-6, 6-0. Coffin and Knapp beat Hills and Ballinger, 6-1, 6-4, 6-2.

## JOHN DALY FIRST IN TEN-MILE RUN

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—John Daly, the Irish-American A. C. runner, won the ten-mile run today for the amateur championship in comparatively easy fashion. He outclassed all of the other seventeen starters and finished a lap and ten yards in front of the second man, Collins, also of the Irish-American A. C. J. J. Gallagher, of Philadelphia, finished third. The time was 53:14.

By winning the contest Daly proved that he is the best amateur runner at any distance from one to ten miles in this section of the country.

#### RAINBOW SOCKS.

Hitherto it has been supposed that the love of color in dress appeals to women only, but the latest fashion in socks shows that man also loves to deck himself out in the gay colors of the peacock.

This is the age of the variegated sock. Walk down the Burlington arcade and you will see the windows of the select hosiers flaring with socks of many colors. Purple with yellow spots, green with red spots, black with pink stripes, and startling blends of mauve, brown, and magenta brighten the windows.

To wear somber socks nowadays is to put yourself at once outside the pale of society. Indeed, so fashionable is the brilliant sock that at Henley this year there were "sock competitions" among the